ed in the matter as part of a persuasion campaign.

Impor of steel rails

4019. SHRI SHANKARRAO NARAYANRAO DESHMUKH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are importing various types of steel rails for new rail tracks and for replacement of old and worn-out tracks;

(b) if so, what are the details of imports made in 1987-88, names of overseas suppliers, quantities and *types* imported from each and the cost paid in foreign exchange to each; and

(c) what are the estimates of in in 1988-89 and 1989-90?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of the imports made in 1987-88 are given in the attached statement *(See* below).

(c) The estimates of imports for 1988-89 and 1989-90 are 1.67 lakh tonnes and 1.78 lakh tonnes, respectively.

Statement

Details of Hails Imported in 1987-88

Name of the Overseas Supplier	Type of Rails	Quanthy (in tonnes)	Cost paid in foreign exchange (in Cr. Rs.)
M/s Sydney Steel Corporation, . Canada	60 Kg. 90 UTS	30,000	15.72
M/s VoesT Alpine, Austria	52 Kg. 90 UTS	35,000	17-5
M/s Samsung Company Ltd., South Korea	52 Kg. 90 UTS	15,000	7.5
M/s British Steel Corporation, United Kingdom	52 Kg. 90 UTS	9.0001 i	8 56
M/s British Steel Corporation, United Kingdom	52 Kg. Head Hardened	6 000 J	
M/s Ferrostaal, West Germany	90 R 90 UTS	35,000	16 73
M/s Le Materiel De Voie, France	90 R 90 UTS	20,000	7 22
M/s British Steel Corporation, United Kingdom	75 lb. 90 UTS	20,000	9 84
	TOTAL :	1,70,000	83.07